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CORN AND SUNFLOWER HARVEST 88 PERCENT COMPLETE

Eighty-eight percent of the corn and sunflower harvest was completed by Sunday and running ahead of the 5-year average, according to the USDA, NASS, Minnesota Field Office. Corn moisture content at 17% is in line with the 5-year average. Producers are moving forward with fall tillage and fertilizer applications. Isolated, wet fields in the east central part of the State have slowed corn harvest.

The average temperature for the week was 43.1 degrees, 6.6 degrees above normal. Statewide topsoil moisture supplies as of November 4TH were rated 0% very short, 2% short, 88% adequate, and 10% surplus.

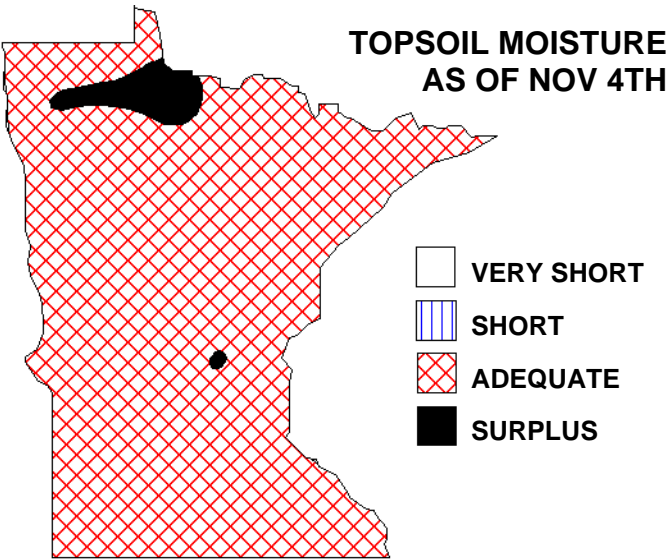
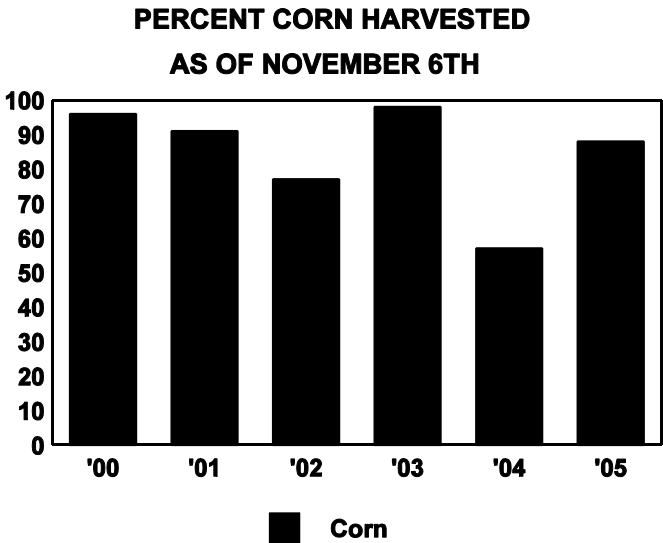
An estimated 88% of field corn acreage was harvested as of Sunday, compared with 57% for the same date in 2004 and 84% for the five-year average. Moisture content of corn harvested for grain was 17%, versus 22% last year and 17% for the five-year average.

Sunflower harvest was at 88% completed compared with 41% last year and 78% on the five year average.

Days Suitable for Fieldwork: 6.1				
	Very Short	Short	Ade-quate	Sur-plus
Topsoil Moisture (%)	0	2	88	10

Crop Progress as of November 6, 2005					
Crop	Stage of Development	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Yr Avg
----- Percent -----					
Corn	Harvested	88	73	57	84
	Moisture Content	17	18	22	17
Sunflower	Harvested	88	69	41	78

Crop Condition as of November 4, 2005 in %					
	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Exc
Pasture	2	12	30	49	7



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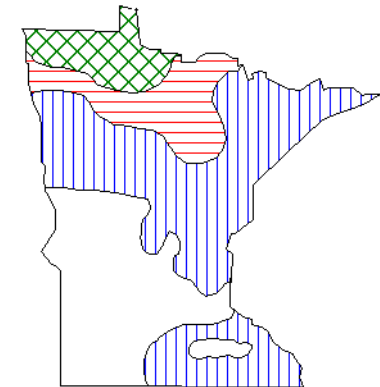
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PRECIPITATION AND TEMPERATURES FOR THE WEEK ENDING November 6, 2005:
Temperatures averaged from 5.7 degrees above normal in the South-west District to 7.6 degrees above normal in the Northeast District. Extremes: 76° in Mankato; 20° in Morris. Precipitation averaged from 0.41 inch below normal in the Southwest District to 0.24 inch above normal in the Northwest District. Greatest weekly total was 1.20 inches recorded in Warroad.

Precipitation and Temperature Summary for 10/31/2005 through 11/6/2005

	Temperature				Precipitation			
	High	Low	Week Ave	Depart from Norm	Week Total	Depart Past Week	From Four Weeks	Norm Since 4/1
<u>NW DIST 1</u>								
Crookston	61	26	41.2	8.0	.36	.05	-.80	3.47
Moorhead	64	27	41.6	6.9	.12	-.22	-1.14	6.92
Warroad	54	30	39.0	7.1	1.20	.87	.93	5.03
<u>NC DIST 2</u>								
Grand Rapids	57	27	40.3	6.1	.53	.05	-1.13	-2.61
Intl. Falls	48	25	37.0	5.0	.83	.46	.67	3.13
Itasca	57	26	39.8	8.2	.47	.03	-1.14	-1.49
<u>NE DIST 3</u>								
Duluth	57	29	41.3	6.6	.25	-.27	-1.18	-.47
Grand Marais	67	33	47.0	9.7	.20	-.29	-.39	-1.44
Hibbing	56	22	39.0	6.4	.15	-.26	-1.58	-8.99
<u>WC DIST 4</u>								
Alexandria	62	29	41.8	6.5	.01	-.37	-1.58	8.57
Browns Valley	70	21	43.3	6.4	0	-.35	-1.38	7.57
Canby	71	28	44.3	5.1	0	-.45	-1.47	1.39
Fergus Falls	62	30	44.1	9.1	0	-.37	-1.19	7.22
Montevideo	70	30	43.4	6.1	0	-.41	-1.62	7.99
Morris	67	20	41.8	5.7	0	-.40	-1.76	3.99
<u>CENT DIST 5</u>								
Becker	68	32	44.4	8.6	.25	-.24	-1.15	6.11
Collegeville	67	32	44.8	6.3	.10	-.38	-1.51	5.91
Hutchinson	70	30	44.6	6.7	0	-.44	-1.43	8.35
Olivia	70	26	43.6	6.5	0	-.38	-1.14	8.77
St. Cloud	67	29	42.5	6.7	.08	-.36	-1.25	3.39
Staples	61	27	41.0	6.7	.05	-.42	-1.67	5.77
Willmar	67	25	43.0	6.2	0	-.43	-1.68	3.69
<u>EC DIST 6</u>								
Aitkin	62	30	42.8	7.7	.12	-.39	-1.44	3.27
Forest Lake	69	32	45.5	7.1	.27	-.26	-1.15	-.53
MSP Airport	71	34	46.0	6.7	.12	-.37	-1.22	4.59
St. Paul - UofM	70	34	46.3	5.6	.08	-.47	-1.49	5.21
<u>SW DIST 7</u>								
Lamberton	73	26	43.4	5.2	.01	-.38	-1.39	9.31
Pipestone	71	21	42.4	5.5	0	-.43	-1.50	8.59
Redwood Falls	71	26	43.4	4.1	0	-.42	-1.41	5.23
Worthington	74	30	44.8	7.8	0	-.44	-1.43	9.11
<u>SC DIST 8</u>								
Faribault	73	22	43.4	4.9	.16	-.35	-1.46	8.08
Mankato	76	31	45.4	6.5	.17	-.36	-1.84	1.20
Waseca	73	30	44.8	6.5	.02	-.56	-2.03	4.16
Winnebago	75	32	45.8	7.0	.18	-.33	-1.37	13.30
<u>SE DIST 9</u>								
Preston	71	26	45.4	6.3	.27	-.25	-1.61	1.85
Red Wing	69	30	45.4	6.4	.23	-.22	-1.40	-1.69
Rochester	71	31	45.0	7.1	.05	-.45	-1.33	-1.25
Rosemount	70	31	44.6	5.1	.07	-.51	-1.68	-2.11
Winona	70	35	48.4	6.0	.23	-.29	-1.28	1.32

m=some data missing



WEEK TOTAL RAINFALL

WEEK ENDING NOV 6TH

- 0.00 - 0.09
- 0.10 - 0.49
- 0.50 - 0.99
- 1.00 - 1.99
- 2.0 +

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